Governors, State agriculture officials, and of course, a lot of farm family stories

In January of this year, David was the recipient of the Gerald W. Reichard Impact Award, given annually to someone who has had a significant overall impact on the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Dave continues to use his platform for agriculture advocacy, highlighting the important work of farmers and ranchers in Pennsylvania and across the country.

Thank you, Dave, for your important work, and thank you for being a voice of agriculture.

HONORING THE FREEDOM RIDERS

(Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of the anniversary of this important day in American history, November 1, 1965. On that day, the Interstate Commerce Commission ruled that segregation on interstate buses and facilities was illegal. This ruling came after months of protests and arrests of the Freedom Riders on public transit.

The Freedom Riders, made up of Black and White, male and female, young and old, united to show the Nation that we are all equal. I had the honor of serving in Congress alongside one of the original Freedom Riders, my good friend and our colleague, the late Congressman John Lewis.

To honor his legacy and commitment to ending racial segregation, I reintroduced H.R. 1348, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the Freedom Riders in recognition of their unique contribution to civil rights.

I strongly encourage my congressional colleagues to cosponsor H.R. 1348. This year marks the 65th anniversary of the Freedom Riders, and it is past time that we recognize their courage and contributions.

80,000 NEW IRS AGENTS

(Mr. GROTHMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, over the weekend I attended a University of Wisconsin football game, and for awhile I sat high in the second deck overlooking the campus and the beautiful Lake Mendota.

As I stood there looking at over 80,000 people, I wondered what was going on in different people's minds. Some people were looking at beautiful Lake Mendota. Some people were looking at the beautiful college buildings: Vilas Hall and Van Vleck Hall. Other people were looking down on the football game.

As I looked at the 80,000 people, I realized that some people looking at 80,000 people said: Wouldn't it be great

if we hired all 80,000 people to be new IRS agents?

Please, don't let this country become East Germany. Vote "no."

Mr. Speaker, I hope we all vote "no" on the reconciliation bill.

\$450,000 PER PERSON TO ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS

(Mr. Lamalfa asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LaMALFA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in actually complete outrage at the unbelievable consideration that the Biden administration is putting forward of—get this—awarding \$450,000 per person to illegal immigrants that have broken our laws in this country.

\$450,000. How is it even rational that someone who took an illegal action in order to get to our soil, how can that lead to an outcome where the perpetrator would receive a \$450,000 payday?

There are American citizens whose families don't even make half a million dollars in 10 years. The President doesn't even make \$450,000 a year.

We have already seen that illegal immigrants use children basically as shields—not even their own children—to avoid deportation in order to come across the border.

Democrats in Congress are trying their best to give illegal immigrants citizenship, and the White House wants to give them a very large check.

When I see proposals like this, I have to ask: Whose side are they on? It certainly doesn't look like this administration is on the side of the hardworking American citizens who are trying to make ends meet, put their kids through school, pay their bills, when they hand out \$450,000 checks to people who came here illegally.

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CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Kahele). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Jackson Lee) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I wish a good evening to all of my colleagues and certainly members of the Congressional Black Caucus. It is my privilege to be part of the Special Order series of the Congressional Black Caucus as a coanchor with Congressman Torres from New York, and we thank him for his leadership. We thank, in particular, the chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, Joyce Beatty, who has been an enormous leader on any number of issues that are crucial to the American people and to African Americans.

The one thing I say about the Congressional Black Caucus representing millions and millions of Americans is that we represent a diverse population

of Americans. I am very proud to, as well, represent those African-American descendants of freed slaves.

In fact, we rise today to emphasize the cruciality of the Build Back Better Act for moving the Nation forward and particularly moving forward those whom the Congressional Black Caucus represents. So I am very pleased this evening to be joined by my outstanding colleagues, who will include Congresswoman Adams from North Carolina, Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Cole-MAN from New Jersey, Congressman DWIGHT EVANS from Pennsylvania, and Congressman STEVE HORSFORD from Nevada. There are others, such as Congresswoman GWEN MOORE from the great State of Wisconsin. Other Members may come.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include any extraneous material on the subject of this Special Order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Texas?

There was no objection.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, let me be very clear and refute a statement that I just recently heard on the floor. Nothing is ignorant in the Build Back Better bill and/or the bipartisan infrastructure bill. In fact, ignorance is stamped out by these bills. One, they are fully paid for as we are working the final edges of that, and, number two, they are doing things that are long overdue for America.

Who are we as President Biden stands at the G20 and now at the climate change conference? Who are we? We are leaders of the free world. In fact, we are the leader.

Although there are debates on the status of Russia and the competitive nature of China, all that has a basis in facts. But at the same time, as these facts are present, the United States continues to grow and to move and to ensure opportunity for its citizens. It is not our creed to randomly snatch people off the street and lock them up. It is not our focus to ensure that voices are not heard or that people of different religions are treated differently, arrested, isolated, and brutalized even. It is not our basic creed to enact laws that would help us take very important proprietary information from others.

We are a democracy, and we are aided by the laws of that principle. So I take no back seat to whether or not Russia and China are competitive or are proposed world powers. What I say is that the United States has all the elements of continuing her posture of leadership, and one of those elements will be the successful passage of the Build Back Better Act and BIF, the bipartisanship infrastructure bill. This is the kind of legislation that is not seen even amongst our European friends of late nor of China or Russia.

We are standing on the precipice of history, and I am very grateful for the